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In re Application of

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For: NUCLEOTIDE SEQUENCE FOR IDENTIFYING A SOURCE OF GENETIC
INFORMATION, AND DNA AND CELL INCLUDING THE SAME

Honorable Commissioner of Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.111

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated January 27, 2003, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE TITLE:

Please amend the Title to read as follows:

NUCLEOTIDE SEQUENCE FOR IDENTIFYING A SOURCE OF GENETIC
INFORMATION, AND DNA AND CELL INCLUDING THE SAME

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please amend the paragraph beginning at page 6, line 15 to read as follows:

Further, according to the present invention, a method is provided for employing the information thus inserted into DNA to identify the source of genetic information in DNA that has been obtained from a predetermined organism. Specifically, this method comprises the steps of: obtaining DNA from an arbitrary organism of the same species as an organism wherein a source identification nucleotide sequence for designating the source of genetic information is embedded into the DNA, and employing as the source identification nucleotide sequence a complementary nucleotide sequence in order to determine whether the source identification nucleotide sequence is present in the DNA of the arbitrary organism.